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January 19, 2010

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
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Los Angeles, California 90012

**ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

**41 JANUARY 19, 2010**

*Sachi A. Hamai*  
SACHI A. HAMAI  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD  
ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION  
90TH STREET EAST AT AVENUE S, ET AL.  
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF LITTLEROCK  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)  
(3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

This action is to approve the project to reconstruct roadway pavement and install traffic signals on 90th Street East at Avenue S and Avenue R in the unincorporated community of Littlerock; find the project exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; adopt the plans and specifications; call for bids; and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award, execute, and implement a consultant services agreement for preparation of a baseline construction schedule and storm water pollution prevention plan and construction contract with a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid.

BID ..... 2-18-10 @ 11:00 am

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Find that this project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve the project and adopt the plans and specifications for 90th Street East at Avenue S, et al., roadway reconstruction and traffic signal installation, in the unincorporated community of Littlerock, at an estimated cost between \$1,200,000 and \$1,800,000.
3. Call for bids to be received on February 18, 2010.
4. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise the project and seal and return the plans and specifications to the Department of Public Works for filing.
5. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award and execute a consultant services agreement with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid to prepare a baseline construction schedule and a storm water pollution prevention plan for a \$15,000 not-to-exceed fee funded by existing project funds.
6. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to award and execute a construction contract with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid within the estimated cost range, approve the Faithful Performance and Labor and Material bonds and insurance submitted by the contractor, and deliver the project.

**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors' (Board) approval to adopt and advertise for bids and delegate to the Director of Public Works (Director) or her designee authority to award and execute a consultant services agreement and a construction contract with the responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid for the reconstruction of roadway pavement, installation of traffic signals, and the performance of other appurtenant work.

The proposed consultant services agreement with the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid to prepare a baseline construction schedule and storm water pollution prevention plan that conforms to the County of Los Angeles' (County) specifications is critical to successfully manage construction activities by both the contractor and the County, and a responsible contractor must be able to produce these deliverables. Bid specifications provide that if the apparent lowest bidder fails to complete acceptable deliverables, we may return to your Board to recommend that the bidder be determined nonresponsive and recommend awarding the construction contract to the next apparent responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid contingent on that bidder completing deliverables that conform to the County's specifications.

**Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended action will help meet these goals by providing improved highway facilities for the traveling public, which will benefit the community.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction cost to complete this project is in the range of \$1,200,000 to \$1,800,000. The project cost will be financed with State Proposition 1B Transportation Bond funds under the Local Streets and Road Improvement, Congestion Relief, and Traffic Safety Account of 2006. This project is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year of 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

This project, to contract for the reconstruction of roadway pavement and installation of traffic signals, is part of the Department of Public Works' (Public Works) ongoing highway construction and maintenance program. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the State Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 80 working days. It is estimated the work will start in June 2010 and be completed in October 2010.

Delegating to the Director or her designee the authority to award and execute this construction contract allows an expedited contracting process to obtain a contractor for the reconstruction of roadway pavement and installation of traffic signals.

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that: (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure that the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1, Subsections (x)(4), (x)(5), (x)(18), and (x)(23), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987. The exemptions provide for reconstruction of existing roadway pavement, installation of traffic signal systems, and construction of street drainage facilities.

**CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This project will be contracted on an open competitive bid basis. The award by the Director or her designee will be made after review of the bids and determination of the lowest responsive bid and responsible contractor meeting the criteria established by your Board and the State Public Contract Code and successful completion of the deliverables provided through the consultant services agreement.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by providing improved highway facilities for the traveling public thereby benefiting the community.

**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

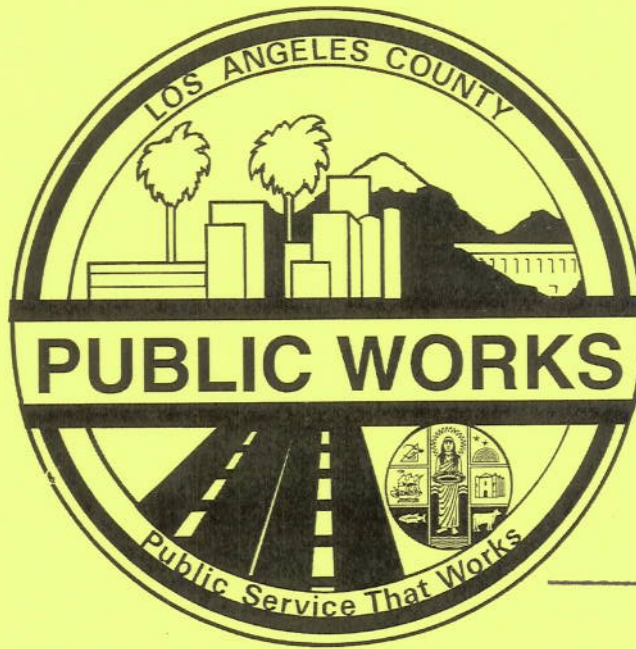
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GAIL FARBER

Director

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c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance



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41 of 1/19/10

DATE

SACHI A. HAMAI  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND  
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By Lachelle Smitherman, Deputy

NOTICE INVITING BIDS,

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

AND

SAMPLE AGREEMENT

FOR

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014099

90TH STREET EAST AT AVENUE S, ET AL.



Approved, GAIL FARBER, Director of Public Works

By

[Signature]  
Deputy Director

12/24/09  
Date